

**BY TELEGRAPH.****DISTRESS IN LIMERICK****Attempt to Lynch a Murderer****ORDERED TO SHELL PORT AU PRINCE.****Spanish Ministry Resigned**

HALIFAX, N.S., Dec. 10.

Severe distress prevails amongst the agricultural laborers at Limerick.

A mob attempted to break into the jail at Birmingham, Alabama, to lynch Hanes, a murderer. The officers of the jail fired, killing 20 persons.

The United States squadron have been ordered to shell Port-au-Prince, unless the Haytian authorities release the ship "Haytian Republic."

The French government will, if necessary, undertake to finish the Panama Canal.

The Spanish ministry has resigned. Sagasta undertakes to form a new ministry.

The Russian fleet is to be largely increased.

The Boulangerists are receiving funds from Russia.

The New England fishing fleet, during the last season, lost thirty-one vessels and ninety-three lives.

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English and American Toys,
And a Sample lot of Iron and Tin Toys,
SELLING AT LOWEST XMAS PRICES.
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Dress Melton, worth 20 cents, reduced to 15 cents.

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Habit Foule, worth 35 cents, reduced to 25 cents.

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Mohair Stripe, with 40 cents, reduced to 33 cents.

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A QUEER STORY

About the Late Duchess of Hamilton.

The late Duchess of Hamilton used to be a very great person in Paris throughout the reign of her cousin, Louis Napoleon. She began to take position, when he was Prince President, at the Elysee. She was the Marchioness of Douglas at the time, had three children in the hands of nurses and governesses, and a husband who spent his evenings at Cercles and at the Maison d'Or. His father, a Scotch nobleman of the old school, and averse to foreign ways, left him a splendid fortune and the palace near Glasgow, filled with rich and rare furniture and curios. The old Duke was given a funeral which Glasgow still remembers. His successors did not enjoy these art-treasures, the Duchess refusing to live in the Queen's dominions. She was left a widow about thirty years ago, in consequence of her husband having fallen down stairs after a supper at the Maison d'Or and broken his neck. It was bad for him to have lived so much away from his native land, he being cut out for a great Scotch life. In the ruffish society of the Second Empire the gross side of his nature weighed down the other. The reason why he and his wife resided so much on the Continent was the Queen's refusal to allow her precedence at the drawing-rooms of the Duchess of Norfolk as a member of a Sovereign German family and granddaughter (by adoption) of the Emperor Napoleon. The artificial tie with the Napoleons, until Louis Napoleon became Emperor and a prodigious favorite of the Queen, was not one to be pressed. But the Duchess of Hamilton, from the German point of view was just as "High and Mighty," as no matter what Macklenburg Hesse or Saxe-Coburg. There was no valid excuse for the refusal, which seems inexplicable, when we reflect how the morgantic son of a younger Hessian Princelet is being foisted as High Royalty on the British people. Her Majesty could not have believed the ridiculous story current in Mannheim about the Princess Marie of Baden (Duchess of Hamilton) being a supposititious child, and substituted for a Prince with a malformed head, denoting the idiocy which from time to time appeared in the Grand Ducal (or, before Napoleon's time, Margravine) family. If there had been substitution, a boy would have been slipped in the place of the alleged idiot. The Mannheimers near where the Grand Duchess Stephanie used to reside had some plausible excuse to give for the substitution of a girl—or, at any rate, one that satisfied them. The "true heir" was never a claimant. He was, the story went, found one day—full grown, helpless, undressed, hairy as an Orson, and unable to quit a crouching posture—near a Grand Ducal park. Altogether he was more like an animal than a human being. How he got to the place where he was discovered nobody could ever guess. His vocabulary contained but two words, "Caspar Hauser." "Caspar Hauser" was the unvarying answer to every question. For some time it was supposed he was the victim of some theorist who wanted to prove Locke's philosophy by experiment, and who had kept him without any sort of experience other than that of a hole in which he has brought up in solitude. Those who found him put him in human training. He brightened up; took, in his Sunday clothes, a distinguished air; was mild, tractable, and showed gleams of memory extending far back to bases in his desert life. Speech was coming to him as he was assassinated. This murder caused a stir along the Rhine. Caspar Hauser had a striking resemblance to past Margraves of Baden. This, perhaps, was the reason why the tale of the substitution was told and believed. The late Duchess of Hamilton's early married life was poisoned by the Queen's refusal to treat her as a Princess of Baden. The terrible misfortune of the rest of her life was a terror of internal cancer. She fancied herself liable to this disease, and believed she was preserved from its ravages by an American doctor, who, through her patronage, won a great practice.—Paris Correspondent of Truth.

WAGERED HIS WIFE.

A Nebraska City special to the Chicago "Tribune" says: A strange written agreement in a betting case on the result of the National election between two Swedish farmers named Ole Johnson and Hans Erickson, was today placed in the hands of a business man in this city as stakeholder. The agreement sets forth that in the event of Cleveland's reelection Mr. Johnson shall forfeit his wife, Johanna, to Mr. Erickson, but if Harrison is elected Mr. Johnson is to receive from Erickson "a Jersey cow valued at \$55." The bet is a bona fide one, and all parties concerned are sincere, expressing the hope that Mr. Cleveland may be re-elected. After securing a stakeholder the trio made merry and drank to the success of Cleveland and Harrison. Erickson is a widower and has long cast sheep's eyes at the "fair and forty" Johanna.

Nationhood For Wales.

ITS NATIONAL COUNCIL ISSUES A STIR-RING MANIFESTO.

The Welsh Question to Take Its Place at Westminster with the Irish and Scotch Question—Tithes Paid to an Alien Church and Rents to an Alien Landlordry.

(concluded.)

Of this section of Welshmen Mr. Thomas E. Ellis, M. P. for Merionethshire may be regarded the spokesman, and he expresses himself as follows on the subject in the current number of the Welsh national periodical, the "Cymra Fydd": "The adopted programme is incomplete. The federations and national council have declared for disestablishment, intermediate education and land reform. But they have not declared whether a Welsh representative authority is to safeguard and utilize the liberated endowments which will revert to the Welsh people, they have not declared whether the education of Wales—elementary, intermediate and university—is to be moulded and managed by a Whitehall bureaucracy or by a Welsh national authority, nor have they declared whether or not enactments and reforms affecting the land and water of Wales are to be superintended, carried out, adapted and modified by an authority representative of, and responsible directly and primarily to, the Welsh people. There is thus wanting the one dominant element which nationalizes the programme, which is to rally the people and consolidate the people's representatives. For self-government is at once the inspirer and the goal of nationhood. Wales, at this epoch of expansion in her history, needs the opportunity for initiative and the means of unity. Without a national assembly—at once the symbol of unity and the instrument of self-government—her position as a nation cannot be assured, and her work as a nation cannot be done. Without the inclusion of the demand for autonomy, the programme lacks a ruling rational principle. With it, the programme and the struggle for its attainment become for our fatherland an emancipating faith—the pledge and the artificer of our national unity."

I have said that this declaration for home rule for Wales may turn out to be the most important feature in the present development of Welsh politics. My reason was that Mr. Ellis is, perhaps, the most important man among the Welsh members. In the House of Commons, indeed, that gentleman has not yet attained what may be called an important position, though he has made two or three very promising speeches; but outside the House, and especially in the principality itself, he is known as "the member for Wales." He is the son of a Merionethshire farmer—that is to say, he is of the people. He is young, has been educated not only in one of the best colleges in Wales, but also at one of the English universities, and has ability and courage. If he were, in addition, rich enough to devote his whole time to politics, he would have almost everything in his favor, and might be expected in a short time to create in Wales a condition of things which most Welshmen themselves, I fancy, have never anticipated. Even as it is, he has stirred the popular heart in Wales, and appealed to the popular imagination so successfully that he must henceforth be counted upon as a man destined, one day or another, to leave a deep mark in the history of his country. Whether his plans, or those of his compatriots are all wise or not, I shall not stay here to inquire. It will be sufficient to know at present the facts of the Welsh question.

J. J. CLANCY.

HAD LOTS OF FUN.

What Came of a Boy's Experiment in Tooth-Extracting.

Little Jimmy Jones, aged seven years, came running home crying, and spitting blood, and teeth out of his mouth, while his lips were black, and burned and swollen.

"Oh, mercy! Is my boy killed?" shrieked the agonized mother.

A hasty examination revealed the fact that most of her boy was at home, and that his life and health were also in the vicinity.

"Stop your noise!" she commanded: "you are not much hurt; tell me all about it, and mind that you tell me the truth."

"Me and Tommy Toodles," said the boy, between sobs, "was playin' in the stable, when my holler tooth commenced to achin' and Tommy said he could cure it. He put some black powder in my mouth and touched it off with a match."

"Didn't you have any more sense than to blow your teeth out with gunpowder?" asked Mrs. Jones, severely.

"Tommy said it wouldn't hurt, and we'd have lots of fun," said Jimmy, brightening up and attempting to laugh.

"It was awful funny—wasn't it?—to have your mouth burned and your teeth blown out," said his mother ironically. "Tommy had all the fun."

"No, he didn't mamma. I lost all my teeth, I guess; but you order to see Tommy! Two of my teeth is stickin' in his nose, and one of his ears is clean gone!"

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CHAPTER XXXVII.—(continued.)

IN THE EASTERN WING.

"There never was such a change in the fate of any creature living," she said to herself; "from a friendless, penniless outcast, I have become the wife of one of the mightiest peers in England, and what is still more I love, and am beloved! What can I do for him who has done so much for me?"

"Love him," answered her heart—"love him always!" And she did. Still, in spite of her happiness, of her complete absorption in him, there were times when her conscience reproached her most keenly, when she admitted to herself that she was a fraud, a living lie. Yet again came the old question: Why should she regret the happiness offered to her? Why punish herself because the world had been unjust, cruel, and hard to her?

As time passed on those stabs of conscience became more rare. There was not much time in the life of the beautiful and fashionable Countess of Arden for thought or reflection.

Christmas was coming; but among all these things bright and happy, it was bringing a difficulty for Lord Arden—only a small one it is true, but one that annoyed him. It was the reopening of an old lawsuit; nothing that involved any important interest—it was but the right of way over a field just outside the park.

It had been closed seven years ago, but now the heirs of the man who had begun it, dissatisfied with the decision then given, reopened it. Lord Arden would have given way at once, but his lawyers strongly advised him not to do so; it would be a precedent, they said, that would give him infinite trouble; he must fight it out again. The earl declared that he forgot all the details; his lawyer wrote word that he would see the reports of the case in the "Times" for the months of June and July, 18—; he was advised to reread them.

Lord Arden never kept any secrets from his wife; he discussed everything with her; he told her of his annoyance over the forthcoming lawsuit, and they talked it over together.

"I will order the 'Times' from London," said Lord Arden; "we had better have the whole set for June and July; will you write, and order them?"

"I will do it, with pleasure," she answered.

"And, Alice," continued the earl, "you might read the case through for me, and tell me what you think of it."

"I will," she replied again. "What dates did you say, Leo?"

"June and July, 18—."

She turned from him abruptly, and so quickly that he did not see the ghastly pallor which spread over her face, or the hunted, terrible look which came into her eyes. June and July, 18—! That was the very date of her trial, and the whole report of it would be there.

Great Heaven! how should she bear it? He would be sure to see it, and it might be that he would read it again, and that something might occur to arouse his suspicions. Was there no peace, no safety—no rest for her? She left the room quickly; she could not remain there, where his eyes rested on her, for her shameful secret seemed to be branded on her brow in letters of fire—"Hester Blair, murderess!" She hastened to her room and locked herself in. She must be alone with the demon of fear, who seemed to be raging in her heart.

What could she do? Nothing to prevent the "Times" from coming; nothing to prevent her husband from reading the trial; the only thing left to her was to wrap herself in an armour of reserve, to make her own heart hard and callous; not to let the color die from her cheeks or light from her eyes, if he should see it and speak of it; not to fall fainting and senseless to the ground, as she had done once before.

To keep watch and guard over herself, for her secret was in her own house. She could sit opposite to him; she

could even sit near him; she could, perhaps, discuss it with him. She should be sure to hear his comments upon it, but she was bound not to betray herself.

During the next few days Lord Arden grew quite distressed about his beautiful wife. She lost her color and her spirits; she was pale and languid; she seemed to be always lost in thought. He blamed the cold winter, the east wind; he insisted upon her seeing a doctor, and she could not escape from his importunities. Yet it was nothing but fear that she could not allay.

And on the seventh of December, by the morning's post, came the bundle of the numbers of the "Times." She knew what it was at once when her husband laid it before her.

"You will read the case this morning Alice, and we will talk it over to night. I should be glad to avoid a law suit if I can. I will send the papers to the library; there is a bright, warm fire, and you can study them at your leisure."

The library at Arden Towers was one of the most brilliant rooms in the house, but she never liked it again. It was eleven o'clock when she went into it, the fire was burning brightly; outside the landscape was beautiful, all snow—white, brilliant, dazzling snow. The papers lay ready for her on the table, and an easy chair was drawn near the fire. She turned pale and trembled even when she saw them.

Then with a desperate effort, she sat down and opened them. Her suspicions were correct; there, in large letters, she read—

"The Mystery of Colde Fell."

The hands that held the journal trembled; her heart beat almost to suffocation; her lips lost all their color. Ah, thank Heaven! there was no one to see!

The very letters seemed to paralyze and to fascinate her.

"The Mystery of Colde Fell." Oh! terrible and hateful name! A long leading article was given to the discussion of the case, and she read once more in all its naked horror, the hateful, miserable, shameful story of her life.

Then she read the trial—the evidence of the witnesses. She read the description of herself—of her wonderful beauty; and raised her ghastly face to the mirror. Her beauty! Would any one recognize her now, after all this time? It would not be possible. She had never been in England, and every one believed she was dead. There was no fear for her secret. Yet how terrible it was to hold this evidence of it in her hands. Poor Hester Blair!

She read every word, even to the paragraph which told how she had sailed, under the name of Annie Malcolm, and was drowned at sea.

Then, with desperate will and desperate effort, she turned to the lawsuit—"Arden versus Lawleigh."

CHAPTER XXXVIII.

THE "TIMES" FOR JUNE AND JULY.

AFTER much reading she mastered it—this history of the lawsuit. She resolutely tried to forget the horror that lay in the same pages. She forced the color back to her white face and lips; she made her hands cease their terrible trembling.

"I hold my secret, and my life with it, in my own hands," she said to herself; everything depends now on my own nerve and strength.

The rosy firelight was playing on her beautiful face and rich dress of violet velvet—a face which, almost by magic, recovered its natural calm when Lord Arden entered the room. His face brightened when he saw her head bent over the journals.

"How good you are, Alice, to wade through all that," he said. "I will come and help you. Have you read it all?"

She was able to raise to his a face that had in it attention, intelligence, and interest; and nothing more.

"I understand it perfectly," she said; "and I think, Leo, that your lawyers have advised you most sensibly. You must fight it out, or you will have no right of road left on the estate at all."

"That is your real opinion, Alice?" he asked.

"I am quite certain of it," she replied, and the earl took the papers from her hands. He read here and there, turned the sheets at his will and pleasure. She was preparing for it; steeling her heart, at once, against the anguish with which she must hear the words from his lips. He would utter them presently, and he would most surely look at her as he did so.

Could she keep those trembling lips of hers from turning so white? Could she so far keep her fear and dread in check as not to cry out with dread and horror?

Oh! Heaven help me! she prayed in her inmost heart. "I have kept my secret so far, let me keep it to the end."

The moment had come, yet she neither swooned nor died. She saw him turn the great sheets of paper; she saw him read something of apparent interest; then he turned suddenly to her. She felt as though a revolver had been presented at her heart.

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Daily Colonist.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1888.

SPYING OUT THE LAND.

The latest Canadian who has published his observations on Newfoundland is Mr. Edward Jack, who, after having been here a few weeks, feels quite competent to gauge public opinion on the question of the union of this colony with the Dominion. He says—"There are a great many persons residing in the country districts who are very anxious to unite with Canada, and their numbers are daily increasing." There are, no doubt, a great many office-seekers who imagine that union with Canada would secure them an easy way of making a living; and they were "baited" with this expectation, even as Sir James was baited by the hope of obtaining the Chief Justiceship, and Mr. Morine by a portfolio in the Canadian Cabinet, representing Newfoundland. With the exception of the place-hunting class, who are numerous in Canada as well as in Newfoundland, or others who have some pecuniary gain in view, we have yet to learn that those in favor of Confederation are "very anxious" about it. Many no doubt, are anxious for a change of some sort; but that change can be made without transferring the right of making the Newfoundland tariff to a Canadian parliament. Mr. Jack, who is a New Brunswick, says it is an "absurd argument" against Confederation to contend "that it would certainly be followed by direct taxation." Does Mr. Jack wish it to be inferred that there is no direct taxation in New Brunswick! He knows very well that the cost of education, for instance, involves a large amount of direct taxation in New Brunswick, and in fact all the maritime provinces; and is it not fair to assume that the same thing would occur here, in the event of Confederation happening! One of the leading Confederates had to admit last spring that direct taxation would surely follow Confederation; and he thought that would not be an evil, as the people would not tax themselves for education till the Confederation screws were put upon them. There is just one circumstance that would prevent direct taxation in the case of union with Canada; and that is if the terms would provide for carrying on all the functions of government, local as well as general, including the present and prospective cost of education, on the same footing as it is in Canada. But such terms are simply impossible. The local governments, and the people of the several provinces, as such, having to support their own schools and colleges, could hardly be expected to permit the general government to make an exception in favor of the schools of any one province.

Mr. Jack thinks the reference to Rev. Mr. Mowatt's depleted congregation, made some time ago, was unfair. In reply to the argument that Confederation would prevent people leaving Newfoundland, it was quite in order to show that Confederation did not prevent the people of the Canadian provinces from going to the United States, as they are in a far greater proportion than is the case here, notwithstanding the "lean years" through which Newfoundland is passing.

But Mr. Jack's letter to the "Sun" contains reasons why Newfoundland should, a while longer, try to work out its own destiny. The climate, he admits, is mild, arable land is abundant, coal crops up near the surface; and he "can testify that the ores of copper and sulphur are of great richness."

This is the "richness" which Mr. Jack came here to "spy out" for Canada, but which Newfoundlanders will not give up to gratify the unholy ambition of a handful of designing politicians.

THE JANITORSHIP.

The janitor for the Municipal Council rooms will be appointed at the next meeting. There are a great many applications in, but it is thought that Mr. Thomas Devereux (printer) will get the position. Mr. Devereux is the oldest printer in town, having first went at the business nearly fifty years ago, during twenty of which he published the "Temperance Journal." Since that time almost to the present day he has fingered the types, and has contributed his share towards building (in ink) the history of the country during more than half a century. His life has been that of a hard-working, honest citizen; and as he is getting somewhat beyond his labor, he is entitled to the position. A number of comparatively young men are applying for the janitorship, who are well able to work at their respective callings for many years to come, and who should not get it. Positions like this should be especially reserved for honest citizens no longer able to work at their life-time calling, and not to young men. Hitherto the Custom-house, alone, of all government institutions, enjoyed the reputation of giving positions to tradesmen in the prime of life. It is to be hoped that the City Council will not follow its example. Mr. Thomas Devereux is personally known to all the Councilors, especially to Mr. Morison, a brother "type" himself, and may reasonably expect the position, to which he is very much more entitled than any other of the applicants.

Twelfth Letter From "John Knox."

Poor donkey! I'll throw him a handful of GRASS. I'm sure he's an honest, though stupid, old ass.

—TANNAHILL.

(To the Editor of the Colonist.)

DEAR SIR,—There are some people in this world who don't know when to let "well enough" alone. They need to be driven with a curb bit all the time, for the moment you relax discipline, and show them any indulgence, they turn and bite you. They measure their deserts, and regulate their conduct, by their escape from punishment, and good luck in evading it, rather than by any fixed and innate standard of right and wrong. Their honesty is of the comparative sort, for they will steal up to the point of detection, and continue stealing, until obliged to relinquish their plunderings by sheer force. There is nothing in their nature to appreciate kind treatment, and forgiveness is simply thrown away upon them. If they are let out of prison as "ticket-of-leave men," they immediately begin to steal again; and society has no protection for itself against them but imprisonment for life. When they bring up their families to thieves too, and insist on inflicting upon a suffering public a long and progenital race of plunderers, a small revolution is required to get rid of them; for, like smugglers, they not only destroy much substantial good, for their own immediate support, but their example becomes infectious, and others, seeing how easy it is to live by stealing, and how hard it is, comparatively, to obtain a livelihood by honest industry, want to steal too. Thus the honest portion of the community have to make up their own part of the common fund, and, in addition, have to make up for the deficiency plundered away by the thieves. Those who are not willing to do this leave the country, as I have shown, and seek a living elsewhere. Those who cannot do this remain at home and starve.

The most unsuitable person to be a member of the Municipal Council, to my mind, is the gentleman who undertakes to "boss" it—Mr. Monroe. I have no objection to Mr. Monroe on personal grounds, because I think he has sufficient personal ability for the post he has chosen, and a natural aptitude for the place that Professor Darwin would, no doubt, have attributed to the great principle of natural selection. Physically and personally, if not socially, I am willing to allow that Mr. Monroe ought to make an ideal alderman; and in these respects he is, no doubt, a right man in the right place.

But, Mr. Editor, there is also a public point of view from which the would-be alderman has to be regarded, and as the public interest is most at stake, this public point of view is the one which ought to be regarded as of the first consideration. No doubt Mr. Monroe's personal abilities, backed up as they are by constant advice from, and consultations with, his venerable and respected uncle, are valuable in themselves, and were they not countervailed and neutralised by other considerations, these abilities would be sufficient to entitle Mr. Monroe to the post he has chosen. But unfortunately for him, Mr. Monroe is not an independent man or free agent in this matter. He is a man of many relationships; he is a member of the Legislative Council; he is a member of the Board of Revenue; he is a director of the Savings Bank; he is federal head of the Cordage Company, and as such draws a bounty or 7½ per cent out of the general revenue on all the goods that Company imports. I am not called upon, here and now, to pronounce any opinion upon that matter, as regards its equity or fairness to the community as a whole. I merely name it in this connection for the purpose presently to be stated.

Now here we have Mr. Monroe occupying a very multifarious relationship to the general government. By the Municipal Act no man can legally occupy such a position and be a Municipal Councillor unless he is elected to it. Granting that Mr. Monroe has been elected to it, the very existence of this proviso implies a very strong reason why he should not have been so. What does it imply? It implies that a man who occupies a compromised position with the general government is not free to act an independent part as a representative of the municipality. The reason for this is obvious. Mr. Monroe is virtually a member of the government. He is not only a member of the present government, but he is a member of all governments. While he occupies these salaries and subsidised positions he is a perpetual pensioner on all governments who pay him these salaries and subsidies. He is not an independent man. He is not a free agent.

Now, here is exactly where this shoe pinches. Mr. Monroe, by reason of his multiplied fiduciary relationships to, and dependencies on, the government of the day, being a dependant and fettered man, would not be in a position to stand up for the rights of the Municipality against the government of the day, in any case in which the interests of the two would clash.

Such collisions are inevitable. I instanced a case in point in last letter. The Road Money—that old and long-established pauper fund—being now made payable out of the pockets of the ratepayers of this municipality—is nominally no

longer under the control of the general government. The "Liberal" gentlemen who have so long disburbed that fund for their own political advantage, will naturally still seek to manipulate it for the same purpose. These liberal benefactors have votes—six votes—and every one of these votes is a factor in contributing Mr. Monroe's various emoluments. Every one of them is also a factor in making up the majority of a general government. Between the demands of Mr. Monroe's personal interests on these votes, and the political demands of the general government upon them through Mr. Monroe, where will the interests of the ratepayers be? The answer is easy, Up a tree! And yet this is the gentleman who not only assumes to be a member of the Municipal Council, but to "boss" it!

Mr. Editor "he who runs may read" this letter. It is all as plain as the nose on your face. In so far as Mr. Monroe makes his services, as Municipal Councillor, valuable to the government, in exact proportion does he do so to the detriment of the Municipality. "No man can serve two masters." Clever men have undertaken ere this to serve two masters. Mr. Monroe is a clever man, but the *ergo* in this case is not conclusive.

It is related of my original namesake, the great and good John Knox, that on one occasion he was listening to an eloquent speech from a brother minister, when all at once a donkey outside began to bray and continued its unseemly interruption beyond all reasonable endurance. Stepping outside, the venerable man erected his forefinger in a remonstrative manner, and with a smile overspreading his humane countenance, mildly exclaimed, "One at a time, brother, one at a time."

Yours truly, JOHN KNOX.

St. John's, Dec. 10, 1888.

SUPREME COURT.

SATURDAY, Dec. 8th.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE LITTLE, D.C.L.)

In the matter of the insolvency of Richard Harvey. Petitioners' Counsel (Mr. Morison) stated that no arrangement could be effected with his creditors. He was accordingly declared insolvent. Mr. Lilly applied to have Mr. George Kearns (petitioning creditor) appointed instead of Mr. Sharpe. Application refused. Messrs. Green, Horwood, Morris and Emerson for creditors.

Branscombe vs. Brown.

Mr. Morris, for the defendant, stated that in this case the suit had been outstanding three terms and moved that it be stricken off the docket. The judges ordered accordingly. Mr. Lilly—who appeared for plaintiff—said he had only been retained in the case this term and that it would be a great wrong to the plaintiff if the case was dismissed, as the delay was no fault of hers. Under the circumstances, the judge said he would permit the case to be called once more, and if the plaintiff was not ready he would strike it off the docket. Mr. Morris moved for the costs of the day, which were granted.

Bacett versus Steer.

Mr. Lilly produced an affidavit in this case, sworn to by the plaintiff, in support of the correctness of the evidence sent up by Judge Prowse.

Mr. Morris in support of the appeal read an affidavit made by himself to the effect that the evidence sent up by the lower court was not the evidence taken at the trial, and that there were no original notes from which the extract referred to had been taken. The judge gave both parties till Tuesday, to come in for further affidavits and authorities, to show that the Supreme Court had power to send back for further evidence to the lower court.

B. & T. Mitchell vs. McGrath, Admr.

In this case the counsel for the plaintiff stated that a cognovit (a confession) had been given for the full amount claimed. Mr. Morris for plaintiff; Mr. Carty for defendant.

Pope versus Kielly.

This is an action for rent. Plaintiff's counsel stated that the defendant had in his possession certain evidence necessary to support plaintiff's case, (and as he was not present, although counsel had been made aware case was coming on), he could not go on. His Lordship said case would be called once more, and if defendant was not present he would leave plaintiff prove his debt and give judgment accordingly. Mr. Morris for plaintiff; Mr. Parsons for defendant.

MONDAY, Dec. 10th.

(BEFORE JUDGE LITTLE AND A SPECIAL JURY.)

Steer versus Murray.

An action for the price and value of fish sold and delivered by plaintiff to defendant. This case was tried last term and a verdict rendered in plaintiff's favor. Defendant then ruled for a new trial, which was granted. The case is still on. A. J. W. McNelly for plaintiff; Attersey-General for defendant.

The steamer *Peruvian*, hence to Halifax, arrived at the latter port at 5 a.m. today, all well.

THE PLACENTIA BAZAR.

(To the Editor of the Colonist.)

DEAR SIR,—The bazar in aid of the new Church closed last evening, and was very successful—near about eight hundred dollars being taken on the opening night. Great credit must be accorded to the untiring energy of the lady table holders, who were indefatigable in bringing it to so successful an issue; and of our Rev. Pastor, we can only say that he has shown, throughout, great zeal and ability in the erection of such a noble edifice. Our St. John's friends have been very generous in their donations, in fact, St. John's is proverbial for its generosity on such occasions. The drawing of prizes has not yet taken place, of which there are several valuable articles. Yours, &c.,
Placentia, Dec. 8, 1888. OBSERVER.

Parnell Defence Fund.

(To the Editor of the Colonist.)

DEAR SIR,—I was very much pleased with the report in your paper last evening, of the splendid progress the Parnell Defence Fund is making at home and abroad—to date it amounts to £24,500. That shows men are getting their eyes open and justice must take the place of fraud. The Irishmen of this country should bestir themselves and back up the Defence Fund opened up here. Names of prominent Irishmen of this town and country are missed from the subscription list; but they may be waiting for matters to develop. Yours,
St. John's, Dec. 8th, 1888. NATIVE.

The 'Bait Bill' and the 'Admiral Prowse.'

Two craft are being built in St. Pierre for the purpose of supplying the French fishermen with bait. One of them will be called the "Bait Bill," and the other the "Admiral Prowse." Our genial friend, who is enjoying a well-earned holiday in England, will find himself sought after upon his return.

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

Harbor Grace is short of coals.

The Christmas "Stations" in the town suburbs commenced today.

Lash's display of cakes this year will be the best for many years.

Ticket's for St. Patrick's Hall lottery are raffled every night at the hall.

Christmas geese and turkeys are already appearing in the grocery-store windows.

To CORRESPONDENTS.—Letter on Fire Company received, will appear tomorrow.

The steamer *Plover* will go north about Thursday next, with freight and passengers.

Upwards of one thousand persons go over the road, between here and Harbor Grace, weekly.

Some of the horses on the "stand" would require to be looked after by the society for the prevention of cruelty to animals.

Since the death of Mr. Saville, (the late manager of the Railway in Newfoundland,) Captain Noble has been acting in that capacity. Saturday last he received intelligence which confirms him in the position. What other changes will be made by the company are not yet known.

The firm of Richard Harvey has gone into insolvency and is at present in the hands of Mr. Alexander Jack and John Sharpe, agents for the creditors, who will remain till all the stock is disposed of. It is said that Mr. Jack will commence business on the premises after the present estate is wound up.

A lady correspondent writes: "Would you please inform me through your columns, at what time the City Rink is to be opened for the skating season. All the young people are interested in this subject, and it is to your esteemed journal we look for items of this nature. Whilst your daily contemporaries devote their columns exclusively to matters, political amid other subjects, in which ladies are not interested, you alone cater to the social department." We are thankful to the fair writer for her kind acknowledgment, and would say in answer to her query, that a first-class band has been engaged by Mr. Foran, and is expected to arrive here by the steamer *Portia* on Saturday next, after which, as soon as possible, the rink will be flooded and the skating season opened.

DEATHS.

MOORES—On the 9th inst., at 81 Young-street, Charles Augusta Moores, aged 83 years, a native of Poole, Dorset, England. Funeral tomorrow (Tuesday), at 2.30 p.m.

HENNESSEY—Yesterday morning, after a long illness, Mary Hennessey, second daughter of the late John Delahanty. Funeral tomorrow (Tuesday), at half-past 2 o'clock, from her late residence, Bell-street.

CRIDDY—Last evening, at Torbay, Mary Ann daughter of Mr. Richard Criddy, aged 83 years. Funeral on Wednesday, at 2 p.m., from her father's residence, Torbay.